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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being submitted without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art, or without any admission that they contain subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

As the above-identified patent application has been allowed on May 1, 2006, it is respectfully requested that the references identified on the attached Form PTO-1449 be placed in the application file without being considered by the Examiner.

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